

PATENT 020441

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit 3724

Examiner Nguyen

:

In re application of

CNC SLITTER

Flaherty et al.

MACHINE

Serial No. 10/008,936

Filed November 8, 2001

Group No. 3700

STATUS INQUIRY CONCERNING ISSUANCE OF PATENT

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

April 20, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant timely paid the issue fee for the above-identified application on May 3, 2005. Copies of the documents that accompanied such payment, including the self-addressed stamped post card bearing the United States Patent and Trademark Office's May 3, 2005 date stamp are enclosed.

"Express Mail" mailing label numberEQ603935746US
Date of DepositApril 20, 2006
I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Postal Service"

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PI-1559931 v1 0229530-0101

To date, the patent has not yet issued. Applicant respectfully requests an updated status concerning the issuance of the patent.

The Determination of Patent Term Adjustment Under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) issued on March 10, 2005 in connection with the subject application indicated that the subject application was entitled to a patent term adjustment of 85 days. In accordance with 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(iv), because the PTO has failed to issue the patent within four months from the date on which the issue fee was paid, Applicant is entitled to **further** patent term adjustment in connection with the subject application. Prompt issuance of the patent bearing the **corrected** patent term adjustment reflecting the delay in issuance of the patent is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Edgington Registration No. 34,324

Attorney for Applicant

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Nicholson Graham LLP Henry W. Oliver Building 535 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222

(412) 355-8303



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Flaherty et al. Application No.: 10/008,936

Filed: November 8, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3700 Examiner: Nguyen Confirmation No. 4801

For: CNC SLITTER MACHINE

Mail Stop: Issue Fee

**Commissioner for Patents** 

P.O. Box: 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE** 

"Express Mail" label number ED156673822US

Date of Deposit May 3, 2005

I hereby certify that the following attached paper or fee

TRANSMITTAL OF PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE PTO FORM-85B (In duplicate) CHECK PAYABLE TO PTO

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop: Issue Fee, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box: 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Types of printed pains of person mailing paper or fee)

(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

NOTE:

Each paper must have its own certificate and the "Express Mail" label number as a part thereof or attached thereto. When, as here, the certification is presented on a separate sheet, that sheet must (1) be signed and (2) fully identify and be securely attached to the paper or fee it accompanies. Identification should include the serial number and filing date of the application as well as the type of paper being filed, e.g. complete application, specification and drawings, responses to rejection or refusal, notice of appeal, etc. If the serial number of the application is not known, the identification should include at least the name of the inventor(s) and the title of the invention.

NOTE:

The label number need not be placed in each page. It should, however, be placed on the first page of each separate document, such as, a new application, amendment, assignment, and transmittal letter for a fee, along with the certificate of mailing by "Express Mail." Although the label number may be on checks, such a practice is not required. In order not to deface formal drawings it is suggested that the label number be placed on the back of each formal drawing or the drawings be accompanied by a set of informal drawings on which the label number is placed.

(Express Mail Certificate [8-3])

APR 2 0 2006

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Flaherty et al. Application No.: 10/008,936

Filed: November 8, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3700 Examiner: Nguyen Confirmation No. 4801

For: CNC SLITTER MACHINE

Mail Stop: Issue Fee Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box: 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL OF PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.311)

1.	Applicant hereby pays the issue fee for the at	tached Issue Fee	Transmittal PTOL-85.
2.	Fee (37 C.F.R. 1.18(a) and (b)): Application status is:  Small business entity-fee A small entity. See 37 C.F R. § 1.27 (65 Fed. Reg. 54603, September 8, 2000).	<u>Regular</u> ☐ \$700.00	<u>Design</u> ☐\$400.00
	⊠other than a small entity-fee	⊠\$1,400.00	\$800.00
3.	Payment of fee:  Enclosed please find check for \$ 1,730  Charge Account 11-1110  Charge Account that A duplicate of this request is attached	fe sum of \$	or any fee deficiency.  OMOS  E OF AZTORNEY
Tel. 1	No.: 34,324 No.: (412) 355-8303 omer No. 26285	Kirkpatrick & Henry W. Ol: 535 Smithfie	name of person certifying)  Lockhart Nicholson GrahamLLP  iver Building



The PTO acknowledges, and has stamped hereon, the date of receipt of the below items, which were mailed mailed\_ ] New Pat. Appl. Tran. (Utility, Design, PROV.) ] Fee Transmittal (2x) Transmittal Letter PCT Request and fee calc. sheet PCT Chapter 2 Demand ] Specification \_\_ sheets of informal drawings sheets of formal drawings Oath/App. of Agent ] Assignment Amendment Transmitta Amendment 3.73 Statement j Terminal Disclaimer Declaration(s) Information Disclosure St Form PTO SB/08A References RCE Transmittal ] Foreign Draft Check Issue Fee PTO Forms 85(b) (2x) Fee Indication Sheet

Express Mail

ED 156673822 US	DELIVERY (POSTAL USE ONLY)  Delivery Attempt
PO ZIP GODO PO ZIP	Time AM Employe's Signature
Date Accepted Scheduled Date of Delivery Moltin Scheduled Date of Delivery Scheduled Date of Delivery Scheduled Date of Delivery	Mo. Day Time AM Engine Signature
Time Accopted AM Non Sew \$ \$	USTOMATE USE ONLY  WENT BY ACCOUNT  TO SEE MAIN COPORTS ACCOUNT  TO SEE MAIN COPORTS PACE NO. SEE MACHING THE PACE PACE OF SEE MACHING THE PACE PACE OF SEE MACHING THE PACE PACE OF SEE MACHING THE PACE OF SEC OF
Feat Rate Or Weight Orac Day S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S	lency Acct. No. or indi-
FROM: (PLEASE PRINT) PHONE (	Iday
Kirkpatrick & Lockhart ILP	Mail Stop: Issue Fee
535 Smithfield Street	P.O. Box: 1450
Vittsburgh, PA 15222-2312 Our File: 020441	Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
FOR PICKUP OR TRACKING	ZIP + 4 (U.S. ADDRESSES ONLY. DO NOT USE FOR FOREIGN POSTAL CODES.)
Visit WWW.usps.com	FOR INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS, WAITE COUNTRY NAME BELOW.
Call 1-800-222-1811	

## BEST AVAILABLE COPY

